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Democratic Ticket.

For President in 1904:

JUDGE ALTON B. PARKER,
of New York.

We are authorized to announce
J. W. PERRY,

as a candidate for the Legislature, to represent the counties of Lawrence and Boyd, subject to the action of the Republican party.

For Circuit Judge:

S. G. KINNER.

For Commonwealths Attorney:

JOHN M. WAUGH.

Title in the Way.

Representative Kehoe and Representative-elect Hopkins, of Kentucky, saw the Chief of Engineers today to ask that the work of improving the Big Sandy river in accordance with the rivers and harbors act of the last session, be begun as early as possible. They were informed that the delay in letting the contract has been caused by the inability of the department to obtain clear titles to the land. Washington telegram to Courier-Journal.

This refers to the contracts for the new locks in both Tug and Lays rivers, a few miles above Louisville, for which money was appropriated last year. The Big Sandy people are very anxious that the contracts be let at the earliest possible moment. Some official or officials are not doing their utmost to push this matter along. Contention proceedings should have been under way some time ago. The delay seems to be with the legal department.

Maps for Public Schools.

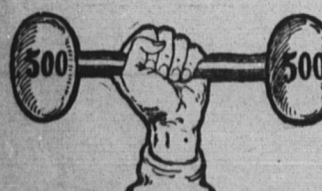
Representative Kehoe, of this district, has introduced a bill in Congress directing the Secretary of the Interior to have printed and mounted 250,000 of the large wall maps of the United States and possessions, similar to those distributed by members of the House, for distribution among the public free schools of the country. This is a very valuable and much-sought after public document, and it is the desire of Mr. Kehoe to place one on the walls of every house in America. If the bill becomes a law the Secretary of the Interior will be required to furnish one of the maps to each school district. There are about 250,000 public free schools in America and the printing and mounting of the maps would cost the Government about \$125,000. But Mr. Kehoe thinks it would be money well and properly expended. Mr. Kehoe will vigorously press his measure during the remainder of the session and in the next Congress and he believes it will ultimately become a law.

The President has called a special session of the United States Senate, and it met the 5th.

The question of Gov. Beckham's eligibility to re-election is to be settled by putting the matter into the courts and carrying the case to the Court of Appeals.

Delinquent taxpayers may be compelled to work out their indebtedness on the streets and public roads, and the officers should enforce this law. But little attention has ever been paid to it.

A little effort of the part of the people of the Big Sandy towns would secure the establishment of some rural free delivery routes. We are allowing other sections to get ahead of us in this matter. No such improvement in mail service has been made in many years as this. Nothing is too good for Big Sandy. Let's have rural free delivery.



The Strength
of the coffee you buy adds to its value in the cup.
Lion Coffee
comes to you fresh and of full strength, always in sealed, air-tight packages. Bulk coffees lose their strength, deteriorate in flavor, and also gather dirt.
Uniformly Freshness and full strength are insured to users of Lion Coffee.

Let Big Sandy people encourage the development that has just begun in the valley.

It is to be hoped our farmers will prepare products for exhibit in the Kentucky display at the St. Louis World's Fair. We can down any of them.

The Big Sandy River Improvement Association is trying to investigate the delay in contracting the Big Sandy river work for which money was appropriated last year. The trouble seems to be with the United States Attorneys whose duty it is to clear the titles.

YATESVILLE.

Two deaths have occurred in this and the Cat neighborhood that has cast a mantle of mourning around many a hearthstone. They were Mrs. Andrew Justice, of our own neighborhood, on the 25th ult., age 30, and Miss Rita Shortridge, of the Cat neighborhood, whose death occurred on the 26th ult. Mrs. Justice was buried at the Riffe cemetery by the side of her baby that had just preceded her one week. Miss Shortridge's remains were interred in the Fallsburg cemetery. Both were highly respected and loved by all who knew them. The bereaved have our sympathy.

The amount of sickness has increased since our last report.

Several members of John Yates family are sick.

Mrs. J. B. Riffe, wife of our telephone man, is on the sick list.

The roads are in a horrible shape. The one leading to Fallsburg is impassable on account of a landslide just below here and at the bank of Blaine. It has the way completely blocked.

The recent high water has also washed the bottom sills from under the bridge crossing Edmonds branch, and it is said that the bridge is in a very dangerous condition. Here is a chance for some man to get a small job of work and a nice little claim allowed.

Country Greenhorn.

OLIOVILLE.

The death of Miss Venie Woods, daughter of John Woods, occurred last Thursday. We are sorry to lose her.

The sick child of J. B. Large is much better.

Jerry Large and Geo. Brown have sold their farms and will move in the near future.

I. B. and Jerry Large will go to Ashland soon.

Grant Cooksey has been trading horses.

Andy Kitchen will farm with Grant Cooksey.

Harkless May visited Jennie Newsom Sunday.

Wallace Large will farm with Mose Skaggs.

Engene Large has purchased a fine horse.

G. C. Combs will go to Logan county next week.

Henry Taylor passed through here last week peddling garden seed. We wish him well.

John and Henry Burton have bought a picture gallery and will go in business soon.

Harvey May is still in the hickory job.

D. L.

FALLSBURG.

For a while last week Blaine was too high for the mill to run, and water was backed up all the little branches so that it was difficult to get to Fallsburg.

Ennio Grady and John Brown, residents of Huntington, were married at Ironton Thursday, and came here to visit her father, Richard Grady, who lives on the Helen Lear farm.

Johnny Elkins, who has been living on the widow Hewlett's farm for two or three years, moved up near Busseyville recently, but soon got dissatisfied and last week he moved back to Albert Copley's place.

All the vacant houses between here and the river are being rented to people that want to work on the R. R. on the W. Va. side.

The last we heard of Lee Crank his brother Frank was going to take him to his home and take care of him.

Wm. Savage is busy taking options on all the land in this country for what mineral there is in it.

The weather is nice and pleasant and looks so much like spring that people are beginning to talk about what field they will put corn in, and there are a number longing for the time to come when they can quit feeding fowls.

U. E. S.

WHITEHOUSE.

We have had a good rise in Sandy river and the steamboats are plentiful.

Felix Grimley, the log merchant, shipped a car load from here yesterday.

Dr. John Swetnam reports twin girls at Joe Roberts; a girl at A. Daniels; a boy at John Porter's; girl at Tom Fannins, and one at John Isaacs. He told us of another one but we have forgotten the name. The man that claims that the globe is about to be over populated has some good proof in favor of his argument.

Our people are having their coal hauled on wagons from Greasy creek at a cost of twenty cents per bushel.

W. Pinson, of Pikeville, and Mr. Bowen, of Huntington, called on our merchants yesterday.

John Graves, one of Big Sandy's popular drummers, was here Tuesday.

On account of high water we have had no mail from Prestonsburg this week.

J. L. Hibbard, of Peach Orchard, has been here working for a company.

Jeff Stafford, of River, is clerking in John Woods' store here.

Timothy Winkie.

Honey of Eucalyptus and White Pine, best remedy known for coughs, 25c at A. M. Hughes'.

BUSSEYVILLE.

Mrs. John Thompson is gaining strength rapidly since her severe spell of sickness.

Uncle David Jordan has so far recovered that he was able to attend the meeting of the Pension Board at Hood Wednesday. He is applying for an increase in his pension, and his physical condition shows him to be greatly in need of it.

It is reported that Thomas J. Pigg has been given full control of the G. R. Roberts farm on Deephole branch, and will move there soon. Mr. Roberts will leave for the State of Washington about April 1st. His son Burnam owns a large farm there. So much for Big Sandy.

Milton M. Burgess, the genial 290-pound postmaster of Wilbur, showed his familiar face here the first of the week. We were real glad to see him for we had almost forgotten how he looked.

Misses Genie and Lora Picklesimer entertained quite a number of their young friends Tuesday evening in an elegant manner. Up-to-date amusements were enjoyed, refreshments served, and an exceedingly enjoyable evening was spent by all present. The girls know how to make an affair of this kind a success.

Miss Sue Holt is taking lessons in the science of fortune telling, having employed a lady specialist in this line from the extreme southeastern corner of the state, is making splendid success. It is to be hoped that in this arena she will outstrip all the "Gypsy beggars" who travel all the public thoroughfares.

Erast Chapman, who has been so well and favorably known here for some time, returned this week to his home in Illinois. During his stay he made many friends, and he takes the good wishes of all for his success.

CHARLEY.

Died, recently, of consumption, Uncle John Scarberry.

Lark Holbrook, who recently moved his family about four miles above here, arose last Monday morning early to do his day's labor, but along in the day began feeling bad, and before sun down he died. Heart trouble was the cause of his death.

News has just reached here that the clothing of Jesse George's little daughter caught on fire and before it could be extinguished was burned off. She is expected to live but a short time.

Miss Alafair Bowling has returned to Seattle.

Roscoe Burton, Stant Miller and Borders Mead left Saturday for Columbus, Ohio.

Lizzie Carter visited at Busseyville Sunday.

Born to H. S. Dean and wife, on the 28th, a boy.

Sheridan Chapman visited relatives here this week.

Jerome Dean visited relatives here last week.

Our school is still progressing.

J. D. Burton has the frame of W. M. Chapman's residence up.

There will be preaching here Saturday and Sunday by Revs. Sowards and Collins.

Mart Moore and wife left last week for Columbus, Ohio, on a visit to relatives.

The recent rains did damage in our neighborhood. It washed Joe Edwards' Jr. house away.

Rev. Marion Moore, of Missouri, preached an interesting sermon here Tuesday night.

Davis Spencer and wife visited their father, Wes Moore, who is not expected to live.

Wallace Vanhose has moved into the house vacated by Beater Spencer.

A. J. Moore has moved to where Role Spencer lived.

J. D. Burton moved into the J. B. Spencer house.

Hurray for Big Sandy. Blue Hawk.

RETURAH.

Died, at the home of V. D. Harmon, on the 20th ult., Ettie, daughter of Mrs. Louise Shortridge, of consumption. She was brought there January. Her suffering was intense, especially a day or two before her death, and, like many of our young people, she neglected her soul's best eternal welfare until a late hour, but was truly redeemed to Christ and shouted loud His praises and died in peace. Her remains were interred in the cemetery at Fallsburg. Rev. R. H. Cassidy, of the M. E. Church, officiating.

Mr. Beetal and Mr. Roberts have returned from Greenbrier where they were looking after some lumber and timber business.

Rev. A. Harmon and wife entertained Rev. D. K. Leslie one day last week.

Messrs. Hall and Ramey are doing a good business on Poor House Branch.

J. E. Scott has gone back to his old home for his health. His son-in-law has charge of his farm.

Mr. Riley has been improving his farm.

The Haws and Short boys are saw logging.

James and Rev. Cassidy have gone down the river on a raft of walnut and poplar timber.

R. L. Barrett and the Shortridge Bros. are back home.

Short Ferguson and Martin Shortridge are mining.

Ramey and Thompson have sold their timber to Mr. James.

Burnfield Rice and Browning may be getting ready for farming.

Jones Sexton and Cassidy are having a time carrying the mail.

Mr. Fannin, of Little Cat, passed up our creek one day last week enroute to Irish creek.

Preaching here the 3d Sunday by Rev. Cassidy.

The saw mill will leave here soon.

Skyrocket.

OUR NEIGHBORS.

The Court of Appeals has reversed the case of Williamson vs Dills, Adm. of Pike county.

Mail Clerk Alvin Powell is again handling the Big Sandy mail on the trains of this division, and the result is that we are having better service.

It has developed that the unknown man killed by the C. & O. train near Ashland last week was Alfred Bledsoe, who lived near Olive Hill.

Vanceburg has a new \$2,000 fire engine. The Sun says it has never been tested, a fire company has not been organized and nobody knows how to operate the engine.

Officers have received word to look out for Charlie Griffy and a companion who broke jail at Sandy Hook last week. The two men were serving a term for grand larceny.

Engineer Bollivar Wesley, who was badly injured in a wreck on the Big Sandy division of the C. & O. eleven months ago, was able to make his first run yesterday.—Ashland Independent.

It is understood to have been definitely settled that John W. Langley, formerly of Prestonsburg, Ky., is to be given either the chief clerkship or solicitorship of the new Department of Commerce.

West Liberty, Ky., Feb. 27.—Ulysses Bailey, fifty-five years old, of Yocum, this county, was killed by a saw log while working in a saw log woods. He leaves a widow and a large family of children.

For the past year there were 207 convictions and 14 acquittals under internal revenue laws and 11 convictions and two acquittals under postal laws in Uncle Sam's Court for the Eastern District of Kentucky.

Congressman-elect Frank A. Hopkins, of Prestonsburg, successor to Mr. White, of the Tenth district, a lawyer of prominence, is at the Riggs, in Washington, making daily visits to the House.—Courier-Journal.

Rev. Geo. O. Barnes, the mountain evangelist, contemplates holding a revival at Paintsville. He is now at Mt. Sterling. From there he goes to Jackson, then to Salyersville and later on will visit Paintsville.

The steamer Thealka, the regular Catlettsburg and Paintsville packet, has changed owners. Isaac Ward, Daniel Wheeler, and R. V. Nickol, purchased the interest of the Stafford Brothers, thereby becoming sole owners.

Greenup, Ky., Feb. 28.—John Henderson and Charles Tisdale captured a wildcat south of town that weighed forty-nine pounds. It killed three valuable dogs before giving up from exhaustion. It has been sold alive to a man in Ironton, O.

The Grayson Herald says: George Rupert has returned from Berea, where he went to attend college some time ago. He said they had "too much negro" there for him. He left Tuesday for Morehead, where he will attend the Morehead Normal.

An unknown man was killed by a C. & O. train at No. 8 mines, near Ashland. On the same day Pat Holmes, a thirteen-year-old Ashland boy, lost a leg under the wheels of a freight train. The day before Leon Hackworth, aged ten years, was the victim of a similar accident.

The Court of Appeals has affirmed the judgment of the Johnson Circuit Court rendered in the case of the White House Cannel Coal Company against the Sandy River Cannel Coal Company. This gives the White House Company two or three acres of valuable coal land over which the two companies had been in dispute for some time.

John Elam and wife, of Olive Hill, died of typhoid fever, the latter dying one evening and the former the next evening. They were buried in the same grave. As the remains of his wife were being taken from the room the husband told them to wait for him; that it would not be long until he joined her. He died the next afternoon.

Campton, Ky., Feb. 28.—About forty persons will leave this county Monday for the Indian Territory, where they go to register their claims as members of the Choctaw tribe of Indians. About 300 persons from this and adjoining counties have registered since January 1, all claiming to be descendants of John Harper, a Mississippi Choctaw Indian.

Dr. J. W. Berry, of Quincy, and a cousin of Dr. W. A. Berry, of this city, was struck by a Camden Iron-State car at the 13th street crossing about 7 o'clock this morning, and sustained a sprained wrist and a slight cut in the temple. He had come in from Quincy, and was enroute to Louisville to visit relatives and look after some real estate matters.—Ashland Independent.

Accommodation train No. 3 ran into an east-bound freight train

Tuesday morning at Russell, killing conductor Henry Davis and brakeman C. C. Miller, of the freight.

Fred Rose, an Ashland boy, who was riding in the freight caboose, had a leg cut off and was otherwise seriously injured.

The engineer of the passenger was slightly bruised by jumping. The damage to the trains is heavy.

Further information concerning the gas well at Salt Lick, Bath county, says gas is escaping in great volumes and cannot be checked. An expert from the oil fields of Sisterville, W. Va., is here to decide on some means by which to stop the flow. Isaac Shouse and W. R. Stevens, oil men of Salt Lick, had their hair and beard burned off by a match lighted by Stevens. Shouse's clothing was burned nearly off and they narrowly escaped fatal injuries. The gas has no odor and can be heard roaring in the well for a half a mile. The well belongs to Fell & Shouse.

C. D. Langhorn, E. T. Morris, T. I. Cabell, J. A. Briggs, C. Y. Ligon, F. H. Herring, Ed Reyburn, and M. O. Hankins (accompanied by Mrs. Hankins and Miss G. Ligon), all connected with the O. & B. S. extension work up Big Sandy, came down from Prestonsburg, Saturday, and several of them went to Richmond, Va., for a visit with home folks. Others are still in town.—Ashland Independent.

The Northern Coal & Coke Co., is making extensive improvements in their ground floor offices in the Huffman Block. New floors and large rear windows have been put in. The wood work has been repainted and the walls beautifully papered. In the rear a large two-story fire-proof brick vault has been constructed. In it will be stored the immensely valuable maps, plots and other papers of the Company. The first floor will be occupied by the Engineering and Drafting Department, in charge of Chief Engineer Burlington. The second floor will contain the general offices as at present.—Pikeville Independent.

J. C. Bowles, cashier of the Pikeville National Bank, and B. F. Johnson, a prosperous merchant of Pike county, were in Ashland this morning and left on train No. 22 at 10:45 for Lexington. They are called there to appear before the Fayette county grand jury in the matter of the man who posed as "B. F. Johnson" and "J. W. Chaffins," and who forged Mr. Johnson's name to checks on the Pikeville Bank and passed them at Wise, Va., and Lexington. The forger has never been positively identified, but Mr. Bowles thinks he is a party for Martin county, and says he may know the fellow when he meets him face to face.—Ashland Independent.

The following item is evidently incorrect in some particulars, but we are unable to get other details: "A premature blast on the N. & W. railroad extension, up the Big Sandy river yesterday afternoon, brought death to John Coverston, of Blaine, Lawrence county, and seriously injured Tom Farragur and Wm. Newcomb, both of near Naugatuck. The fuse had been lighted, and being slow about turning, Coverston attempted to relight it when the explosion occurred with terrific force, throwing him at least fifty feet in the air, the body alighting in the edge of the water. When picked up it was found that his neck and both legs were broken. The injured men it is thought will not recover."

The following is from the Cincinnati Enquirer: "An involuntary petition in bankruptcy was filed in the Federal Court yesterday by John M. Adams, of Paintsville, Johnson county, Ky. The petition, which was forced by the Ashland Hardware Company, D. A. Leffingwell & Co., of Ashland, and Hutsinpillar & Sheridan, of Ironton, O., alleges that he owes more than \$1,000, and on the affidavit of Hutsinpillar and a member of the Ashland Hardware Company, a warrant was issued for his arrest, it being charged that he was about to leave the state. The warrant was made returnable before this court forthwith, and was sent to Ashland last night for service."

Ashland, Ky., February 28.—The first blood was shed in this city in the labor trouble. When a party of nonunion men called for drinks the bartender said he had nothing to sell them. Words followed, and the bartender struck one man on the head with a bung starter, inflicting a serious injury.

Men are quartered at the mill tonight, where cuts have been placed. Rumors of an attack on the mill to-night, are considered groundless both by the company and the leaders of the strike. The mill will start up Monday, and the Company states that the men will work under the old agreement of the men now on a strike.

The company has made provision for the protection of the nonunion men, extra electric lights and armed guards being placed about the mill.

Eiba S. Uien, a printer from Catlettsburg who worked in Louisa

many years ago, died at Colorado Springs last week of consumption.

The new Western Union Telegraph extension from Whitehouse to Paintsville is not yet in operation, but will be soon. Frank Wallace, Jr., of Louisa, will be in charge.

A break in the gas main near Savage Branch Tuesday morning left the people of the cities below there without fires for several hours. A special train took a large force of men to the place and repaired it as soon as possible.

The Kentucky Appellate Court, by Judge Barker, affirmed the Boyd Circuit Court in the case of John Riddle vs. Carrie Fannin, and others, holding that Fred Fannin, by reason of his lunacy, did not lose his property, and that the wife should be permitted to retain control of such property as was exempt by law.

Lexington, Ky., February 28.—To escape prosecution for alleged horse theft Albert Pack, of Johnson County, simulated insanity, was adjudged a lunatic and committed to the asylum in this city. He became confidential with an inmate and told that he was feigning. Superintendent Rodwine was informed and investigated. Pack was found to be sane, and the authorities of Johnson County were notified to come for him. This afternoon Deputy Sheriff Ashley Ward took Pack, a prisoner, to answer the charge of stealing a horse from Miss Lucy Justice.

John C. Mayo, of Paintsville, at the Grand, has brought more capital into the eastern part of his state to develop the coal and timber lands. He has bought over 300,000 acres of land for the Northern Coal & Coke Company, which has already paid out over \$2,000,000.

"A new trouble confronts us after our years of labor to get a move on us in the rich oil, timber and coal of our state," said he. "The high rate of assessment the County Supervisors have put upon undeveloped lands, prospective values, which may retard the tide of capital that has been pouring into the state. I see where a piece of property in litigation which has never been developed in the least, has been assessed at \$500,000, because lands near by have been producers of oil. This is purely taxation upon undeveloped or supposed value. Coal lands are being assessed at the purchase price that are not yet developed. The outside corporations that are coming into the state are willing to pay upon a fair valuation after it is established, but they don't believe they ought to be squeezed right on the start; in fact, before they get to work."—Cincinnati Enquirer.

Our people should be careful lest they "kill the goose that lays the golden egg."

KINNER.

Walker Harris and George Canada have moved to Greenup. We are sorry to lose them.

Oliver Carnutte has moved from the Isaac Bolt place to the Carnutte farm on Mill branch.

Grace, the 3-year-old child of Lizzie Miller, was badly lamed Sunday, but is getting along well.

John Bentley visited relatives here Sunday.

Edward Bellomy was here this week on business.

Bud Frasher and Mark Miller had twenty-two head of cattle dehorned last week.

Mrs. Rachel Pyles has returned from Portsmouth.

V. B. Shortridge was here last week to see his daughter, Mrs. Maggie Meredith, who has been very sick with typhoid fever.

The gas line is blocked. They have all the rights of way bought except Lewis Atkins, Steve Carnutte's heirs and Rachel Pyles.

Miss Victoria Stedham will visit her parents in Ashland this week.

Mrs. Sue Bellomy was in our neighborhood Tuesday.

Mr. Stewart has resumed his duties in Kinner's store after a few days' sickness.

Owing to bad weather the protracted meeting has closed at Buchanan Chapel.

John and Harmon Billups have gone to Pittsburg.

A business man from near Louisa was in our vicinity Friday trying to buy land.

Misses Bird Carnutte and Lillie Mermon visited their sick

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Oh, Carnegie is sick, they say. With colds and chills and sobs. He stands in awful danger of the crime of dying rich.—Ex.

Pure maple syrup at Sullivan's.

Born, to Mr. and Mrs. Mont Holt, of Busseyville, a girl.

Fresh roasted peanuts at Robt. Burchett's.

Miss Kate Freese has a music class in Ashland and goes down there twice a week.

You can find anything you want at W. N. Sullivan's.

We must unload all winter goods at reduced prices. Now is your time to save money.

G. V. MEER.

The best flour always in stock at W. N. Sullivan's.

John G. Burns has been quite sick for several days.

Presiding Elder S. A. Donahoe will hold quarterly meeting service here Saturday night and Sunday.

Fresh fruit constantly on hand at Robt. Burchett's.

Fred Loar is very sick of fever. The attack came on him at school and he had to be taken home.

For fresh groceries go to W. N. Sullivan's. This trade is increasing every month.

Thos. Salyer, Jr., and B. P. Cassidy have traded residence property and moved their families.

If you want fresh groceries you should buy from Robt. Burchett.

Mrs. F. T. D. Wallace was quite sick a few days ago but is now better.

D. Webb Compton, of Hollandale, Minn., is visiting relatives in this section for the first time in several years.

We are selling good furniture cheaper than other people are selling cheap furniture. Convince yourselves by looking at our stock. SNYDER BROS.

If you need a typewriter buy an Oliver. It is the best machine made. You can get this machine at Conley's store.

FOR SALE:—3½ horse power engine and 5-horse boiler, cheap. Have just been put into first class condition. Apply to James Compton, Busseyville.

Mrs. Julia Fulkerson has moved back to her farm below Louisa, and D. Brown has rented the Vinson property which she vacated.

MATTRESSES, \$1.65.—We are selling mattresses at \$1.65 each, the same kind that others are asking \$1.75 to \$2.25 for. SNYDER BROS., Louisa, Ky.

Oscar W. Hughes, age 30, was married to Miss Lizzie Fletcher, 23, on Lick Creek. This is the groom's second marriage, his first wife having died less than a month ago.

FOR SALE:—One saw mill, now at Poorhouse branch, price without top saw \$190. Also, two ox teams, right yoke, with carts and chains. For terms and price inquire of H. N. Fisher, Webbville, Ky. [2-30.]

The Kentucky State Band, of Catlettsburg, will go to St. Louis next month with the Governor's party. Some Louisa musicians will probably go with the band.

REWARD of five cents for each tie caught and held until taken up by drifters. Brands B, 40 and single B. J. E. BLACKBURN, M. V. FRAZIER.

The construction of the new gas line down the Kentucky side of Big Sandy, from the mouth of Blaine to near Burgess station, is under way. The high water has stopped the work for a few days.

Gault Bros., from Owingsville, have rented F. T. D. Wallace's new store room and will open for business soon. They have also rented a portion of the residence in which Dr. Wroten lives.

Phil S. Fanning, Jr., aged 23, and Miss Ethel Neal, aged 18, were married in Ironton yesterday. Mr. Fanning resides at Culbertson and is a son of Jos. Fanning, deceased. His bride is from Vessie, Lawrence county, and is a daughter of Wm. Neal.—Ashland Independent.

The attention of the officers is called to the current report that the "Red Onion" liquor vending establishment has been revived and is again in full blast about a mile below Louisa. It has been broken up before and can be stopped again in short order, with the proper efforts.

The soliciting that has been done for the school extension fund within the last few days has brought good results, but the fund is still short of the amount needed. If you have not been asked for a contribution do not wait longer, but give whatever you can afford to the committee without further delay. This is a public matter in which the interest of every citizen is involved.

To Bore a Gas Well.

The City Council passed an ordinance last Tuesday subscribing for ten shares of stock at \$100 per share in the movement recently started by some of our citizens to put down a well here for gas and oil, with the understanding that if gas is found it may be used by the city. There are also other provisions as to the management of the enterprise and the control of results.

The proper committee was ordered to proceed to sell the franchise for operating for oil and gas within the corporate limits.

As there is already a gas well in Louisa, our people feel that they are taking very slight chances on failure, and at the same time they stand a good chance for something very much better. The City Council was guaranteed a well equal to the one already here, by parties interested in the movement.

Louisa Public School.

The following pupils have been neither absent nor tardy during the month ending Feb. 20:

Leslie Hill, Willie Austin, Reba Meek, Lida O'Brien, Cora Meek, Mexie Carey, Tiny Jenkins, Mary Cantrell, Sarah Wolford, Margaret Lackey, Gracie Burke, Hester Boggs, Lydia Cannon, Linnie Fuggitt, Mattie Fitch, Addie Jones, Fay Wilson, Lizzie Ward, Otto Gartin, Charlie Bove, Frank Crutcher, Vessie Ward, Dana O'Neal, Sheba Wolford, Tim Tilton Pigg, Nell Conley. Of this number little Vessie Ward has not been absent nor tardy since the opening of school on Sept. 22.

The widow of Fielden Isaacs, died Tuesday evening, at an advanced age, at her home on Lick Creek. The burial took place near John L. Vaughan's.

An entertainment should be given for the benefit of the public school fund. Who will take the matter up and push it through? This is a good opportunity to do something for your country.

Dr. J. D. Bartram, formerly of this place has built up a good practice in Ashland. He has a hospital almost ready to be opened. His office is equipped with a fine X-ray machine and other up-to-date apparatus. The Doctor's many friends here are glad to know of his success.

N. & W. contractors are making the best time possible on the new line across the river, but weather conditions have been very much against them. As soon as the good season arrives, things will be very lively all along that line. The stone men have been pushing their work all winter and have made good progress.

Dr. H. O. Cease has gone to Louisville to erect and exhibit one of his patent fire escapes. The city has recently enacted an ordinance which will force owners of large buildings to provide better means of escape for occupants in case of fire.

Dr. Cease is very hopeful of securing a number of contracts for his escape, as it is pronounced to be one of the best on market. We hope he may.

McClelland Warnock, age 30, and Miss Viola Hinkle, 27, of Richmond, were married at that place Wednesday by Rev. R. F. Rice and have gone to Ashland to reside. The bride is a very attractive daughter of Mr. Ran Hinkle, one of the best citizens in our county. She is an excellent young lady in every way. Her husband is an industrious and honorable young man, a trusted employee of the C. & O. railway. The News joins in the congratulations of their friends.

Beatrice Flippin, as administratrix of J. P. Flippin, brought suit yesterday against the Louisville and Nashville Railroad Company for \$30,000 damages on account of the death of her husband. She alleges that he was head brakeman on a train of the defendant which was wrecked in a collision at Bristol, in Warren county, July 12, 1902. It is claimed that he was killed while discharging his duties. He was thirty-one years of age and at the time of his death was earning wages at the rate of \$85 a month. Col. Bennett H. Young represents the plaintiff.—Courier Journal.

The plaintiff in this action was formerly Miss "Bracie" Snow of this place.

Rent Farm Wanted.

Want to rent a good small farm, with house of three or more rooms. Parties having such farms to rent please leave particulars at Big SANDY News office at once. F. M. Phillips.

Family Washings.

Patrons of the laundry agency at Conley's store may have their washings done through the agency at a price that is in many cases lower than it costs to have it done at home by hand. All "flat" pieces are ironed. The work is charged for by the pound. For particulars inquire at Conley's store.

Der meaning of love is friendship. Von Id gets so warm dot id boils over.

Who is Your Insurance Man?

One is quite often asked who is his lawyer or his tailor or his doctor, but today we ask you a question of greater import—Who is your Insurance Man? Is he one who will beat both you and his Company with equal fairness?

Some agents, it is said, will, in their dealing, give either the assured or the assessor the hot end of the deal. And while the agent may be reliable in every respect, the company he represents may be not altogether what a prudent man, investing in something as vital as Life Assurance, desires it to be. Life Assurance is no longer something which business men throw upon or speculate about as a scheme which may or may not be taken hold of. The best business men look upon it as the best of investments. You no longer have to quit breathing to win the game, properly taken, Life Assurance brings sure returns to you while you still live to enjoy them. But be sure of getting the right sort of Agent and the right sort of Company. The best combination we know of is the Mutual Life of New York and Frank Yates, of Louisa.

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These are not idle vaporings nor empty boasts. The Company has compilations of facts and figures which are eminently convincing and conclusive. A short newspaper paragraph can not present more than declaration of the value of assurance and the reliability of companies and agents, and we here epitomize and put into this nutshell of space the whole matter: See Yates and insure in the Mutual!

200 white oak piling 22 feet long, 8 inches at tip. Delivered at any siding on the Big Sandy Division. JAY H. NORTUP.

Street Lights Out.

The City Council passed an ordinance Tuesday night releasing the Triple State Gas Company from its contract for lighting the streets of Louisa, and ordering the lamp posts removed, so we are now in darkness. A movement is on foot, however, by which a better system of lighting the streets will be secured.

Marshal DeRossett tendered his resignation, but was not accepted. The matter will be acted upon later.

Have You Heard That—

Among the new things at Corley's store are the latest styles in box paper, tablets and envelopes, in white, blue, cream, lavender and all the fashionable tints.

In Books—The Virginian, The Leopard's Spots, A Speckled Bird, Cecilia, The Spenders, Audrey, For Love of Crown, Red Potage, Caleb West, The Gaffly, Nell Gwynn, The Maid of Maiden Lane, Tattle Tales of Cupid, Opening a Chestnut Burr and six other books by the same author. Hundreds of other good books in paper and cloth. All \$1.50 books are sold here at \$1.25.

Seeds for Farmers.

If you want to sow seeds of any quality or in any quantity, such as Kentucky Blue Grass, Imported English Blue Grass, Orchard Grass, Timothy, Oats, Black or White, Red Clover, Southern German Millet, Cow Peas, All kinds, you can get them promptly, and at reasonable prices by ordering from

Z. MEER, Catlettsburg, Ky.

Cincinnati Markets.

CATTLE. Active; shippers' \$4.50@4.85, choice to extra \$4.90@5.15; butcher steers, good to choice \$4.50@4.75, common to fair \$3.50@4.40; heifers, good to choice \$4.25@4.65, extra \$4.75, common to fair \$3.25@4.15; cows, good to choice \$3.65@4.15, extra \$4.25@4.35, common to fair \$2.75@3.60, canners \$1.50@2.40; bulls active; strong to a shade heavier; bologna \$3.35@3.90, extra \$4. fat \$3.90@4.25; miltch cows firm and receipts light.

CALVES. Steady; extra \$7@7.25, fair to good \$6@6.75, common and large \$4@6.25.

HOGS. Quiet; selected heavy shippers' \$7.80, good to choice packers' and butchers' \$7.15@7.25, mixed packers' \$6.80@7.10, stags \$4@5.50, common to choice heavy fat sows \$5@6.60, light shippers' \$6.30@6.75, pigs (110 lbs and less) \$4.75@6.25.

SHEEP. Steady; extra \$4.75@5.00, good to choice \$4.25@4.65, common to fair \$3@4.

Grand Chief J. Frank Stewart, of Kentucky, Knights of the Golden Eagle, has set Saturday, March 14, 1903, to have the vote for State grand officers counted. The following constitute the canvassing board: Geo. W. Chapman, No. 8, judge; Walter T. Callon and Judge Joe B. Bennett, No. 32, clerks; John W. Ramey, No. 32, and Leo Thompson, No. 33, tellers.

Der meaning of a sure thing is a good-looking widow dot has made up her brain to get married again.

PERSONALS.

Dr. A. S. Weiler is at Inez this week.

T. J. Snyder was in Ironton Wednesday.

F. H. Yates was in Catlettsburg Friday.

W. W. Rice, of McNeal, was here Tuesday.

C. T. Reynolds was in Huntington Tuesday.

Dr. A. W. Bromley was in Ashland Wednesday.

John Fannin, of Fallsburg, was in Louisa Tuesday.

Gus Preston, of Richardson, was in Louisa Saturday.

Mrs. Jas. Vinson was up from Catlettsburg Wednesday.

Miss Dove Berry, of Blaine, is the guest of Louisa relatives.

Attorney A. J. Garred was in Ashland on business Tuesday.

G. W. Gunnell has gone to New York to purchase spring goods.

Dr. M. G. Watson has returned from a trip to Kentucky river.

F. T. D. Wallace left Wednesday on a business trip to Pikeville.

Mrs. John L. Hibbard, of Peach Orchard, was in Louisa Wednesday.

Mrs. A. Snyder and Mrs. M. F. Conley were in Huntington Tuesday.

Miss Blanche Gray, of Mt. Savage, visited Louisa relatives this week.

T. S. Salyer visited his brother Charley, in East Liverpool this week.

Charley Abbott was at home from Floyd county on a visit a few days ago.

T. P. Maynard and George Burgess, of Georges Creek, were in Louisa Monday.

Mrs. Will Wheaton has returned to her home in Huntington after a two weeks visit here.

T. S. McClure was down from Pleasant, Martin county this week, looking after his timber.

Mrs. R. Frasher and daughter, Miss Edie, of Cassville, W. Va., are visiting in Huntington.

Miss May Wortman and little nephew, Richard Blevins, of Ashland, spent Sunday in Louisa.

T. A. Roberts, of Louisville, was here this week in the interest of the Equitable Insurance Company.

Miss Blanche Williams, of Ashland, was the guest of her cousin, Miss Grace Ferguson, over Sunday.

Little Mary Emily Russell, of Ashland, has been visiting her grandparents, Col. and Mrs. J. H. Northup.

Mrs. T. J. Riffe and little son, returned to their home at Pence Springs, W. Va., Tuesday after a visit to Mrs. Fannie Wade.

Judge R. E. Lee was in Ashland Tuesday looking after the interest of H. J. Pack in a suit against a wholesale firm of that city.

Mr. and Mrs. Charles Johnston and daughter, Emma, left Friday for their home at Thacker, W. Va. They were accompanied by M. F. and Miss Mexie Carey.

Mrs. Cynthia Stewart will go to Pikeville soon to visit her son, J. W. M. Stewart, who is General Manager and chief attorney for the Northern Coal & Coke Company.

Mrs. Lou Hutchinson and Misses Telia Vaughan and Florence Curlette of Catlettsburg, and Miss Laura Compton, of Buchanan, are on a pleasure trip to Pikeville this week on the steamer Crockett.

E. T. Flinn and two little sons went to Cincinnati Tuesday, where they will probably make their home. Mr. Flinn has a good position on the construction of a new traction line leading out of Cincinnati.

Mrs. C. H. Williamson and children who had been guests of Judge R. T. Burns and family about two months left Monday for their home in Waukesha, Wis. They were accompanied to Cincinnati by Mrs. R. T. Burns and Mrs. Lucien S. Johnson.

Mrs. Thos. Hazelton and her granddaughter, Miss Myra, went to Cincinnati Tuesday to visit relatives. They were accompanied as far as Catlettsburg by Mr. G. L. Hazelton. Miss Myra will visit friends at various places before returning home.

Mrs. J. W. M. Stewart came down from Pikeville and visited over Sunday with relatives, leaving on Monday for Florida, where she will spend a few weeks with her sister. She will return by ocean steamer to New York, and from there will come home over the C. & O.

To Cure a Cold in One Day

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. E. W. Grove's signature is on each box 25 cents.

Canvasser Wanted.

A capable, experienced and reliable canvasser can secure a position with the Big Sandy News at good wages.

UNCLAIMED LETTERS.

List of letters remaining unclaimed in this office March 5th, 1903:

Mr. H. C. Geyer.
Miss Lizzie Hannah.
Mr. J. B. Hatfield.
C. H. Henley.
Miss Permillia Kissinger.
Mr. J. C. O'Mara.
Mr. William Warren.
Miss Spathia Williams.
A. M. HUGHES, P. M.

PAINTSVILLE.

The body of Earl Hatcher, who was drowned at Pikeville last week, has not as yet been found. A reward of \$50 is offered for its recovery.

Contractor H. C. H. Conley has the new M. E. Church, South parsonage almost completed. It will be ready for occupancy within the next two weeks.

After an illness of several months, Bill Daniels died a few days ago at the home of his mother on Muddy Branch.

Garfield Robinson and Miss Addie Cunningham were married at Riceville recently.

Bascom Vaughan is at home from Pike county, suffering from a threatened attack of fever.

The directors of the Paintsville National Bank have re-elected Dan Davis, president, Dan M. Hager, vice president, John E. Buckingham, cashier, and John H. Preston, assistant cashier for the ensuing year.

Rev. C. W. Holley has resigned the pastorate of the Paintsville Circuit, M. E. Church, South, to accept ministerial work in Louisiana. —Paintsville Leader.

EAST POINT.

Dad says I would better apologize to the "weakly Commercial" of Paintsville. "I hurted its little feelins." I am going to be good now. I like the "weakly Commercial." I like the broad-minded liberal editorialism of the Goebel trials—they are promotive of peace in the commonwealth. I am surprised that a broad-gauged man could be so uncharitable as to suppose his little neighbor girl could treat smallpox from a hasty partisan standpoint. But men often reveal their standard of judgment in suspicion of their neighbor's motive. Your little editorial sounds like a distance signal—as if you were going to arouse everybody against the girl at East Point. But I haven't to tell every one of them that I love them as well as thou dost. You know you are in training for the first office in reach, if you should be compelled to run over every political brother in the country. It runs in the family. I'll bet a button if you lived in Floyd county you would be a democrat. Now, Mr. Solomon from way-back, if you will visit East Point, inco, and hear comment from grizzly citizens of your own party, on the "weakly Commercial," you will begin to get a normal idea of your size. There, now sonny—run on to school and learn your parts of speech. You commenced it now and if you don't let me alone I'll apologize some more.

Mrs. Susan Vanderpool, of this place, and Mr. Ben Rice of Riceville were recently united in marriage.

Mrs. Jane Blair has fever.

Ben Conley has returned from a trip to Catlettsburg.

The wife and infant child of Wm. Litts died recently.

Jack Blair, who recently moved from Riceville to Middle Fork died last week.

William Papan Conley has been appointed foreman of the R.R. timber job on Little Lick.

Miss Emma Auxier is attending school at Dayton, O.

The school at Hager Hill has been closed on account of smallpox.

Frank Blair has bought a cow. This means housekeeping, eh Frank.

Oscar Conley, who is at work in Knott county, is expected home on a fortnight's visit.

While the towns are enjoying such great booms would it not be nice to have a county fair? We can think of nothing that would be more educative to the general public on practical lines. There are many reasons why a fair would succeed in this county if set on foot by our leaders. It is something to which everyone can contribute. Who thinks we should have a county fair?

Mr. Editor, I am almost afraid to complain of anybody or anything, lest some little two-by-two throw up a lot of billingsgate, but our mail service is simply abominable. If all of Uncle Sam's agents are simon-pure how can they fail so regularly. One neighbor suggests that they have all been derelict and one fears to report another. I'll go another button that there is much guilty knowledge between East Point and Louisa, for the News has gotten the worst of all the "black-eyes." If the editor of the News were a "coon" Teddy would stop down every week and bring it. Don't squirm. We love and admire Teddy. If he hadn't run amuck the "coon" he would long ago have broken into the Democratic party. He has stolen half their platform, and is an all-round good man—except the "coon." Fairy.

SHOES!

RETAILING SHOES AT WHOLESALE PRICES.

Dutch Shoes for children 5 to 8	35
" " " 9 to 12	45
" " " 13 to 22	50
Dutch Shoes for women 3 to 7	65
Women's fine kid shoes for	75
Women's kid—extended soles	1.00
Children's fine kid shoes 5 to 11	50
Men's brogan shoes, worth \$1.00, for	75
Men's fine shoes—all leather	1.00
Men's tan shoes, worth \$2.00, for	1.25
Boys' tan shoes for	75
Boys' boots—red top for	69



Men's Royal Blue Tan Shoes, worth \$3.50 a pair, for \$2.00



Men's best brogan shoes—oil, grain, split or kip, for	\$1.25
Men's split boots for	\$1.50
Moccasins for the baby	15c
Old ladies shoes, fleece lined, good and warm	\$1.00

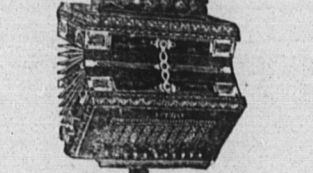
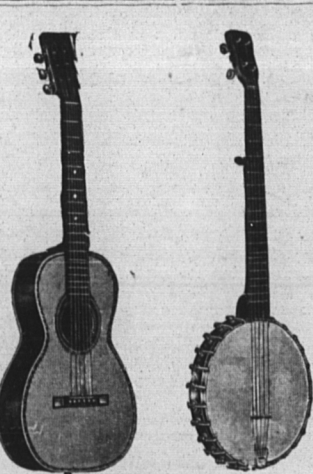
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CONLEY'S STORE.

Just Across the River in West Virginia.

The high water undermined a trestle of a timber road over in the Big Woods tract, near Lombard, Menifee county, and Saturday a train went through the trestle. Engineer John Stettens, of Ceredo, was fatally injured and Fireman Wabon was seriously hurt.

Another Senator has fallen victim to the Washington dinner habit. Senator Nathan Scott, of West Virginia, informed his colleagues the other day that he had been knocked out by the fierceness of the social entertaining of the past season, and that he was going abroad to seek absolute rest in the hope of restoring himself to his former health. Accompanied by his wife he will go to the southern part of Bohemia and take the hot baths of Carlsbad. He has been in poor health for some months past, and suffered complete collapse last week. To add to the trouble of the West Virginia man, several candidates for his job in the Senate have appeared. One is a wealthy brewer who wants to change the scene of his labors from the malt vaults to the United States Senate chamber. The members of the West Virginia Senate, with the exception of the holdover Senators, will be elected this year. Senator Scott is handicapped in the race by the fact that many of the holdovers are pledged to support the brewer.

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We are pleased to announce our SPRING OPENING which will be in full blast from March 20 to April 11.

This opening is of more than usual importance to my customers, as we will show the largest and most complete line of

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especially pattern hats and novelties ever brought to Lawrence county, which merit your careful inspection. My

